

Minutes
The City of Frederick
Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Workshop

June 3, 2015
3:00 p.m.
Board Room – City Hall

- I. Mayor McClement called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Aldermen Kelly Russell, Michael O'Connor, Joshua Bokee and Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak.
- II. The FY 2016 Budget Meeting minutes were approved 3-0-1 on a motion by Alderman O'Connor which was seconded by Alderman Russell. Alderwoman Kuzemchak abstained.

III. Workshop

Item 1: Saundra Nickols, City Attorney led the discussion of a recommendation by the Board of Supervisors of Elections regarding non-partisan elections. She introduced James Hammond, President of the Board of Supervisors of Elections who provided background information and conveyed the Board's unanimous recommendation that the City hold a partisan election with an open primary process.

Public comments were received.

The Board of Supervisors of Elections will work to answer any follow-up questions and gather further information and will present additional findings to the Board of Aldermen at a future date.

IV. Elected Officials' Comments

Alderwoman Kuzemchak mentioned that Frederick Festival of the Arts is taking place this weekend this weekend, and asked that everyone please join us. She said she expects to have wonderful days, as they always are. She also said that the Frederick Arts Council is looking for an executive director and that the advertisement has just gone out. She said if interested, please check out the website or contact her.

Alderman O'Connor remarked that he is now the proud parent of two Frederick County Public School graduates. He said his younger daughter graduated from Thomas Johnson High School on Monday evening and he said he participated in the Safe and Sane program that night. He expressed his congratulations to all of the graduates and wished them nothing but the best and safe post-graduation activities whatever they may be. Because of graduation activities, he said he missed the Delaplaine's Annual Fundraising Gala but said he heard the event went

wonderfully. He also expressed how lucky we are to have the depth and breadth of great art here in Frederick.

Alderman Bokee remarked on the busy weekend. He thanked Elizabeth Chung and other organizers of the Asian American Festival for a great event and also commended the folks who organized Planting Hope and the Housing Authority for their picnic in Lucas Village. He also said he knows the Festival of the Arts will be great this weekend.

Mayor McClement congratulated all of the area graduates and mentioned how honored he was to give the Commencement speech at Hood College. He said he was asked to speak about the importance of maintaining ties to your community and expressed the importance in doing so. He also gave kudos to Alderman O'Connor and the members of St. Katharine Drexel for a fantastic groundbreaking this past Sunday. He said it was very interesting and everyone played a part. The Mayor also mentioned that this weekend is the AOPA fly-in at the airport, and for one day, FDK will be the busiest in the country.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.